Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - January 2012

Location Date/Time Deaths & Property & **Event Type and Details** Injuries **Crop Dmg**

IOWA, Southwest

(IA-Z069) POTTAWATTAMIE, (IA-Z079) MILLS

01/11/12 14:00 CST 0 Winter Weather 01/11/12 19:00 CST 0

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NEBRASKA, East

(NE-Z030) BOONE

01/11/12 10:00 CST 20K Strong Wind (MAX 45 kt) 0

01/11/12 18:00 CST

Strong northwest winds of 30 to 35 mph with frequent gusts in the mid 40s to lower 50s prevailed over eastern Nebraska from the late morning into the evening hours of January 11th. The winds developed as an upper level system tracking across the northern plains merged merged with one lifting out of the southern plains. This resulted in surface low pressure deepening as it passed east of Nebraska. Some light wet snow, most accumulations were under 2 inches, accompanied the system. The strong winds caused a semi to overturn a little east of Albion on Highway 91.

(NE-Z052) DOUGLAS

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